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The reply filed on 12/02/08 is not fully responsive to the restriction mailed on 9/2/08 because applicants fail to elect a species of protein. Applicants' election as the source of protein sequence, any protein sequence, defined or from a random library (page 1 of the 12/2/08 REMARKS) is not a proper species election. The Office action, page 2, last paragraph, *ibid*, states "a single species". Furthermore, the election states that only claim 38 reads on the elected species. Generic claims 12, 19 and 23 would be withdrawn as these do not read on the elected species. In addition to the species restriction made in the previous Office action and in view of the addition of new claims 38-44, the following species restriction apply (Applicants are to elect one species from each of 1-5 below, for a proper species election):

1. Mammalian cell
2. Substrate for enzyme
3. Test agent
4. Matrix
5. Integrated modular system.

Since the above mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME LIMIT MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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